

Walton-le-Dale

Wednesday Newsletter

"Through working together, the best is yet to come"

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MESSAGE OF THE WEEK

From Thursday 24th of February, the government has changed how they manage COVID. Legal requirements are being replaced with an emphasis on **personal responsibility**. Guidance has been updated for education settings on the official government website: https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2022/02/21/what-the-latest-advice-on-testing-and-self-isolation-means-for-education-settings/

The critical information taken from the update is summarised on the attached image. Public health advice remains unchanged.

Throughout the pandemic, we have come together as a community to look after each other and our families. We are extremely grateful to you for this. **Thank you**. Please now continue to exercise **personal responsibility** by regularly ordering free lateral flow tests. **They will stop being free from the 1st of April**. You can collect them at local pharmacies but the easiest way is to have them delivered to your door through this government website: https://www.gov.uk/order-coronavirus-rapid-lateral-flow-tests

SHOULD I TEST MY CHILD IF THEY HAVE SYMPTOMS?

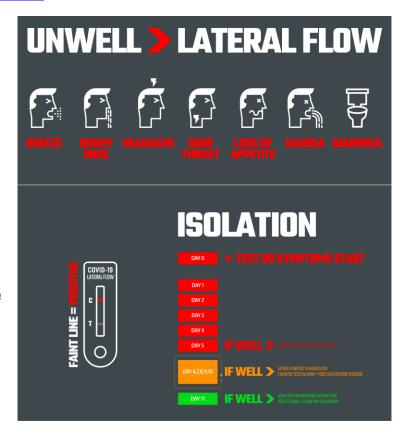
Yes. Anyone with any of the main COVID-19 symptoms should order a test and is advised to stay at home while waiting for the result.

SHOULD PARENTS SEND THEIR CHILD TO SCHOOL IF THEY THINK THEY HAVE COVID-19?

No. If a child has any of the main symptoms or a positive test result, the public health advice remains unchanged and is to stay at home and avoid contact with other people.

SHOULD MY CHILD ISOLATE IF THEY TEST POSITIVE?

Yes. Adults and children who test positive will continue to be advised to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for at least 5 full days and then continue to follow the guidance until they have received 2 negative test results on consecutive days.



WORLD BOOK DAY

We would like to invite the children to dress as their favourite book character on Thursday 3rd March - World Book Day. Children can also bring in the book their character is from.

PTFA EASTER HAMPER RAFFLE

Raffle tickets for the Easter hamper are available now on Parentpay at £5 per ticket. Buy as many as you like & don't forget to ask other family members if they'd like any tickets too!

Tickets will be sent home via your child & the lucky winners will be drawn on Wednesday 30th March.

On sale now until 3pm on Monday 28th March 2022.

HEIGHT AND WEIGHT CHECKS FOR CHILDREN IN RECEPTION AND YEAR 6

Each year in England, schoolchildren in Reception and Year 6 have their height and weight checked at school as part of the National Child Measurement Programme. This will occur on Monday 28th March 2022 in our school. If you are happy for your child to be measured, you do not need to do anything. If you do not want your child's height and weight to be checked, please let The Lancashire Healthy Young People and Families Service know before the date of measure on 0300 247 0040 or email VCL.019.SinglePointofAccess@nhs.net to ensure your child is opted out in time. Children will not be made to take part on the day if they do not want to. Parents of children in Reception and Year 6 received an email before half term with further details about these checks.

YEAR 6 ELECTRONIC HEALTH QUESTIONNAIRE

Year 6 children are due to complete the Electronic Health Questionnaire in school on Monday 28th March 2022. If you do not wish your child to complete the questionnaire or you would like to speak to the school nursing team please contact them on 0300 247 0040. Parents of Year 6 children received an email before half term with further details.

EARLY YEARS & INFANT PACKED LUNCHES - SAFETY

Mrs Tunstall would like to make a request to all parents supplying packed lunches for their children in the Early Years. Please can grapes supplied within packed lunches be cut in half to avoid the possibility of any child choking.

TROPHIES AWARDED LAST TERM

Children awarded trophies at the end of last term for their effort in areas of English, Mathematics, Creativity, PE and Music should return these after the half term break. These will be required back to award to the next round of children at the end of term in our special assembly. Many thanks.

SHOES & UNIFORM

Please ensure that your child attends school wearing black shoes. This does not include black trainers or any other type or colour of trainer. A small number of children are currently attending school each day wearing inappropriate footwear. The school will contact parents to request that correct footwear be delivered to school.

CURRENT TRIPS & PAYMENTS AVAILABLE TO PAY ON PARENTPAY

The following may be paid for using Parentpay -

Nursery Fees

Lunch Payments

Breakfast Club Payments

After School Club Payments

PGL Boreatton Park - Year 6

Borwick Hall - Year 4

Year 3 trip to Yorkshire Sculpture Park

Year 2 trip to Delamere Forest

Friday 4 th March	PTFA Easter Hamper donation day – chocolate, wine, Easter eggs and gifts
Tuesday 8 th March	Curriculum meeting for governors – 5.30pm
Thursday 17 th March	PTFA Discos Infant 5pm Junior 6.30pm
Friday 5 th March	PTFA Egg decoration competition
Monday 28 th March	Reception and Year 6 Height and Weight Checks
	Year 6 Electronic Health Questionnaire
	Full Governors' Meeting 6pm
Tuesday 29 th March	Parent's Consultation Evening 3.30 – 6pm (Proposed in school)
Wednesday 30 th March	Online Teams Parent Consultation Evening 4pm-7pm
	PTFA Easter Hamper Draw – Tickets £5
Friday 1st April	PTFA Breakfast with the Easter Bunny
Thursday 21st & Friday 22nd April	Year 4 to Borwick Hall
Tuesday 26 th April	Year 2 trip to Delamere Forest
	Year 3 trip to Yorkshire Sculpture Park
Thursday 28 th April	Let's Go Sing Choir Concert – Blackburn Football Stadium
Monday 9 th May	Proposed SATS Week for Year 6 (TBC)
Monday 23 rd - 27 th May	Sports Days (more information to follow nearer to the time)
Monday 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June	Half term
Monday 6 th June	Queen's Platinum Jubilee Day
Tuesday 7 th – Friday 10 th June	INSET days – Staff training
Friday 24 th June – Monday 27 th June	Year 6 Boreatton Park visit
Monday 27 th June	Year 6 Swim Week - Life Saving – Prevention of Drowning Week
Monday 11 th July	Full Governor's Meeting 5.30pm
Friday 22 nd July	End of summer term

SUPER PUPILS

Congratulations to our "Super Pupils" from last week:

Bison Class – Sumayyah

Manatee Class - Sienna

Falcon Class- Max

Eagle Class- Ethan

Jaguar Class- Evie

Leopard Class-Elif

Loris Class- Alexander

Kakapo Class- Penelope

Gorilla Class- Mahli

Orangutan Class- Isabella

Elephant Class- Cory

Rhinoceros Class- Alex